## Appendix.

[Vide answer to starred question No. 1655 asked by Sri S. Ramalingam at the meeting of the Legislative Assembly held on 28th March 1955, page 482 supra.]

Copy of G.O. No. 320, Public (Services), dated the 20th January 1950.

[Public Servants—Persons convicted for offences under the Madras Prohibition Act—Departmental action—Nature of penalty to be imposed—Instructions issued.]

In connexion with the case of a Government servant who was convicted under the Madras Prohibition Act for being in a state of intoxication, the question arose whether he should be automatically dismissed from service. Under the Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, any of the penalties mentioned in those rules, including dismissal from the civil service of the Crown, may at present be imposed on a Government servant convicted in a criminal court on the basis of the facts which have led to his conviction. Dismissal from service need not automatically follow such a conviction and it is open to the competent authority to decide whether dismissal is really called for in any particular case, having regard to the gravity of the offence.

2. The Government take a very serious view of breaches of the Prohibition law and have decided that in the case of any Government servant who is found guilty by a competent Court of an offence under sections 4, 4-A, 5 or 7 of the Prohibition Act :—

(1) the punishment to be awarded in respect of a first conviction should be decided on its merits as at present; and

(2) in respect of a second conviction the punishment should be dismissal from service.

The Heads of Departments and the Departments of the Secretariat are requested to bring these orders to the notice of all Government servants under their administrative control for their information.

(By order of the Governor)

K. RAMUNNI MENON,
*Chief Secretary.*

To all Heads of Departments (including Collectors and District Judges).
,, the Departments of the Secretariat [including Public (all sections).]
,, the Secretary, Madras Public Service Commission.
,, the Chairman, Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings,